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SUBJECT: UNESCO MEETING FOR PREPARATION OF DRAFT
DECLARATION ON RACE AND RACIAL PREJUDICE AND "ZIONISM-
RACISM" EQUATION (JANUARY 26 - 30, 1976, PARIS)

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1. WE HAVE CAREFULLY CONSIDERED ARGUMENTS FOR AND
AGAINST U. S. PARTICIPATION IN THE FORTHCOMING UNESCO
COMMITTEE MEETING, INCLUDING POSSIBLE POSTPONEMENT
INITIATIVES. SINCE THIS MEETING FALLS CLEARLY UNDER
RUBRIC OF "DECADE AGAINST RACISM" ACTIVITIES, U. S. WILL
NOT PARTICIPATE AND YOU SHOULD MAKE THIS POSITION KNOWN

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IMMEDIATELY TO EUROPEAN AND OTHER FRIENDLY DELEGATIONS

WITH HOPE THAT THEY WILL FOLLOW SAME COURSE. DEPARTMENT WILL MAKE PARALLEL APPROACHES IN APPROPRIATE CAPITALS. YOU SHOULD, OF COURSE, INFORM M'BOW, AS SOON AS HE RETURNS, OF OUR DECISION.

2. POSTPONEMENT EFFORT NOT A PROMISING ALTERNATIVE AND WOULD UNDERCUT U. S. POSITION IN PRINCIPLE ABOUT NON-PARTICIPATION IN DECADE OF RACISM ACTIVITIES.

3. DEPARTMENT WOULD LIKE, HOWEVER, TO EMPHASIZE THAT

IT APPRECIATES US DEL'S SOBER AND ANALYTICAL APPROACH REFLECTED IN REF A. US DEL SHOULD CONTINUE TO CALL SHOTS ON THIS AND OTHER SENSITIVE ISSUES AS IT SEES THEM. WHOLE QUESTION OF DEALING WITH "ZIONISM-RACISM" PROBLEM OVER COMING MONTHS IN VARIOUS MULTILATERAL FORUMS WILL REQUIRE CAREFUL, UNEMOTIONAL ANALYSIS TO ASSURE THAT BALANCE OF U. S. INTERESTS IS PROTECTED. KISSINGER

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